

**Thirty-Second Sunday
In Ordinary Time
Nov. 8, 2020**

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| Wed. | Nov. 11 th | 11:30am | St. John |
| Thurs. | Nov. 12 th | 7:00pm | St. Columbkille |
| Fri. | Nov. 13 th | 9:00am | St. John |
| Sat. | Nov. 14 th | 4:00pm | St. John |
| Sun. | Nov. 15 th | 8:30am | St. Joseph |
| Sun. | Nov. 15 th | 10:30am | St. Columbkille |

Confession

Saturday 11:00am -12:00pm St. Columbkille

Readings for the Week

Monday, Nov. 9th

Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-12 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17
John 2:13-22

Tuesday, Nov. 10th

Titus 2:1-8, 11-14 Luke 17:7-10

Wednesday, Nov. 11th

Titus 3:1-7 Luke 17:11-19

Thursday, Nov. 12th

Philemon 7-20 Luke 17:20-25

Friday, Nov. 13th

2 John 4-9 Luke 17:26-37

Saturday, Nov. 14th

3 John 5-8 Luke 18:1-8

Sunday, Nov. 15th

Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

Matthew 25:14-30



We will be having a rosary on Wednesday's at 7:00pm
in the Parish Center.

Let Us Give Thanks!

Weekend Collection - \$6060.00

Loose - \$97.00

Building Fund - \$330.00

650 Parish Families

(363 Family envelope holders)

114 Envelopes used

Mass Intentions for Weekend of Nov. 7 & 8

Saturday St. John: + Mary Anna Longuski

Sunday St. Joseph: + Good Shepherd

Parishioners

Sunday St. Columbkille: + Barb Sweeney

Donations:

In loving memory of Mary Anna Longuski by Jim & Del
Czewski

In memory of Shirley Kroetsch by Judy & Tom
Albrecht

In memory of Shirley Kroetsch by Marshall Rosquin

In loving memory of Shirley Kroetsch by Deann Blank

In loving memory of Melvin Osentoski 56th Ann. By

Loreane Holz

In loving memory of my husband William & grandson

Matthew by Rose LaBuhn

In this Sunday's Reading

**"Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the
day nor the hour." - Matthew 25:13**

No one is guaranteed a tomorrow, a next week or a
next year. Just like we should not put off doing things
for our family, our home or our jobs, we also should not
put off living our faith. We have all been given gifts
from God. God is calling us to use them today - not
tomorrow, next week or next year.

Christian Initiation

Christian Initiation RCIA Meetings will be held on
Sunday, Nov. 8 & 22 at 6:30 pm at the St. Columbkille

Church in the gathering room. If you have any
questions, please call Dana Irion 9895530585 or

Fr. Nate at 9896588145."

Please remember your parish when planning your estate

Religious Education/Faith Formation

Please pray for all who come together for our programs. Wednesday & Sunday program includes:

Kindergarten through 6th grade

Uby 3-4:30pm Wednesday (Nov. 11, 18)

Sheridan Corners: Wednesday (Nov. 11, 18)

Argyle: 6-7:30pm Tuesday (Nov. 10, 17, 24)

Youth Group

Youth Group next meeting is Sunday Nov. 22, 2020 from 5:00pm until 7:30pm at the Parish Center. Please bring a mask. Youth group is for all 7th thru 12th graders. All are welcome and there is no charge.

Christ's Mission Appeal 2020

Our Parish is conducting the annual Christ's Mission Appeal. Our goal for this year is \$56,548. Please be generous to the Christ's Mission Appeal by sharing your gifts and blessings. Your contribution to Christ's Mission Appeal is a way of serving our brothers & sisters throughout the diocese and continuing the saving work begun by Jesus.



Here in November, we look forward to the fulfillment that God has promised us through Jesus, our Risen brother. With the feasts of All Saints' Day and All Souls Day, with our parish memorials for those who have died, we focus on the future fulfillment that God offers to each of us when our earthly lives come to an end.

Carol Popiel, Leonard Popiel, Glenda Cieslinski, Francis Kanaby, Dorothy Heleski, Thelma Murray, Rita Depcinski, Allen Farrelly, Eileen Trepkoski, Ervin O'Parka, Michael Leppek, Richard Beaver I, Grace Goniwicha, Karen Conley, Carol Lamke, Beatrice Micklash, Peter Janiks, Shirley Kroetsch, Joyce Koglin

VOLUNTEERS SCHEDULE:

Counters:

Please remember that we are counting on Tuesday until the end of the year! Thanks

Nov. 10: Judy Messing, Shirley Piontkowski, Mary Jane Zurek

Nov. 17: Jeanene Schmidt, Carol Beaudin, Charlotte Baker

Nov. 24: Kathy Beaver, Del Czewski, Ann Ypma

4:00pm Saturday Mass Nov. 14th St John

Lector: Carol Beaudin

EMHC: Deb Osentoski

Ushers: Curly Messing, Glen Peruski, Rich Trepkowski

8:30am Sunday Mass Nov. 15th St Joseph

Lector: Suzanne Kroetsch

EMHC: Edie Izydorek

Ushers: Steve Briolat, Bill Izydorek

10:30am Sunday Mass Nov. 15th St Columbkille

Lector: Lori Osantoski

EMHC: Val Fischer

Ushers: Marv Osentoski, Clarence Wolschlager



Bad Axe Knights of Columbus Fish Fry is back

Curb side pickup only. Meals will be prepackaged and include generous portion of deep fried pollock, scalloped potatoes, baked beans, coleslaw, tuna macaroni salad, tartar sauce and roll with a choice of dessert SORRY! NO substitution, NO phone orders and NO all-fish \$10 per meal, please have correct change. Make checks out to: Bad Axe Knights of Columbus Nov. 13th, 2020 serving from 4 to 7 pm Pull in the driveway and follow the sign and markers around the parking lot to order your meals. Meals will be delivered to your vehicle by the main entrance under the awning.

Memorials for November

Barb Sweeney, James & Virginia Sweeney



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Jesus Thirsts for You! Will you quench His thirst?

Fr. Nate's Update-November 8, 2020

Good Shepherd Parish Office: Mon.-Thurs. 8:30am-3:30pm

989-658-8824 - goodshepherd48475@gmail.com

Daily Mass: Wednesdays 11:30am @ St. John; Thursdays

7pm @ St. Columbkille; Fridays 9am @ St. John

and Eucharistic Adoration until 11am

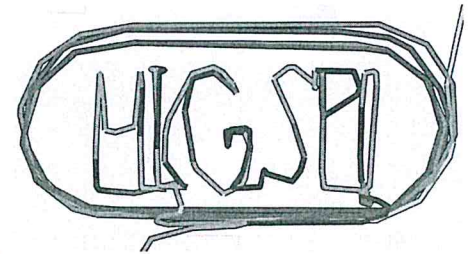
Reconciliation: Saturdays 11am @ St. Columbkille

St. John Church open during office hours



(LEFT: Sr. Michael and Sr. Maria from the "Sisters of our Mother of Divine Grace" whose Motherhouse is in Port Sanilac visited our Faith Formation children this past Wednesday. Our kids had LOTS of great questions for them! "Mother Mary, please pray for the sisters, that they would receive new vocations to their beautiful life of service!"

BELOW: A message I created to make you smile, by running in the Uby Bearcats football field 6am on Thurs. It says "HI GSP!" (Good Shepherd Parish). How? Garmin Watch has GPS tracking)



Dear Reader, fellow **Saint-in-the-Making**, Happy 32nd Week of Ordinary Time!

First, some humor: 1. From a parishioner: "Last Sunday my niece emailed me after the Mass in her local church. The priest there mentioned that once he asked a class room of children if they would like to be a Saint. All raised their hands except one little boy. When asked why he would not like to be a Saint, he simply said, "I would have to be dead!" --- 2. During a Sunday school lesson, a child learned about how God created human beings. The child became especially focused when the teacher explained how Eve was created from Adam's rib. Later, the boy's mother saw him lying down on the floor, so she asked him what was wrong. He replied, "Mom, my side hurts—I think I'm getting a wife!"

Medical Exemption: If you have a medical exemption for face coverings, you need not wear it at Mass. I know of some parishioners who have this exemption. Otherwise, thank you for wearing it.

Election: No matter who wins, JESUS IS ON THE THRONE! No matter who wins, "God works all things to the good for those who love Him" (Romans 8:28). No matter who wins, pray "for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness" (1 Timothy 2:2 NIV). No matter who wins, remember that YOU have been "elected", which means chosen, by God at your baptism, to become a Saint, a "living image" of Christ! To be holy! To be the hands, feet, and voice of Christ to your friends AND enemies! To bring Christ to birth in your own heart, through prayer and sacraments; to bring Christ to birth in the hearts of others, through works of mercy! To blaze the "light of Christ" in the growing darkness! To "Be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect" (Mt 5:48)... perfect in love for God and neighbor! Lord Jesus, make me more and more your "living image"! Fill me with your Holy Spirit, through the powerful intercession of Mary. Amen!

Homily Feedback: After Mass, I welcome your feedback on my homilies: One thing you liked, and One thing you didn't like (either about content or delivery). What can I do differently in my preaching to help you to encounter God?

Reflection on "Offering it up": We all have small sufferings, annoyances, and discomforts in our daily lives, such as wearing masks, being patient with others, being misunderstood, aches and pains, etc. St. Margaret Mary Alacoque says, "And every time that some punishment, affliction or injustice comes your way, say to yourself: 'Accept this as sent to you by the Sacred Heart of Jesus Christ in order to unite yourself to him'" [by "sent" she does not mean that God actively wills any evil to afflict us, but rather permits it for our good]. She also teaches us a way to "offer up" our sufferings, recommending this prayer: "My God, I do this or I endure that in the heart of your Son... I offer it to you in reparation for anything blameworthy or imperfect in my actions." I would shorten this to, "I offer You this suffering in reparation for my sins" or "for my conversion and the conversion of all!"

MAGNIFICAT WITH MARY written by the Sisters of Life ©

Mary, be with me. Mary, with your consent to become the Mother of God, torrents of grace poured forth upon the earth, opening up for me a path to follow. In times of loneliness, *R. Mary, be with me.* In times of turmoil and uncertainty, *R. Mary...* In times of grief, loss, or illness, *R. Mary...* In times of sadness or depression, *R. Mary...* In times of lost plans and broken promises, *R. Mary...* When I am anxious about the welfare of my family, *R. Mary...* When a job or financial stress weighs heavily on my heart, *R. Mary...* When I am discouraged by the weight of my sins, *R. Mary...* When I am tempted, *R. Mary...* When I am afraid, *R. Mary...* When the Lord calls me to greater kindness and love, *R. Mary...* When the Lord calls me to greater forgiveness, *R. Mary...* When the Lord calls me to greater purity, *R. Mary...*

On the wings of your Fiat, Mary, I proclaim mine. Together we sing a Magnificat of praise: For all the blessings in my life, *R. I praise You, Jesus.* For the gift of today, *R...* For the gift of loved ones, *R...* For the gift of my life, *R...* For creating me with a special purpose and plan, *R...* For never giving up on me, *R...* For Your infinite love, *R...* For never leaving me, *R...* For your inexhaustible mercy, *R...* For laying down your life for me, *R...* For Your presence in the Eucharist, *R...*

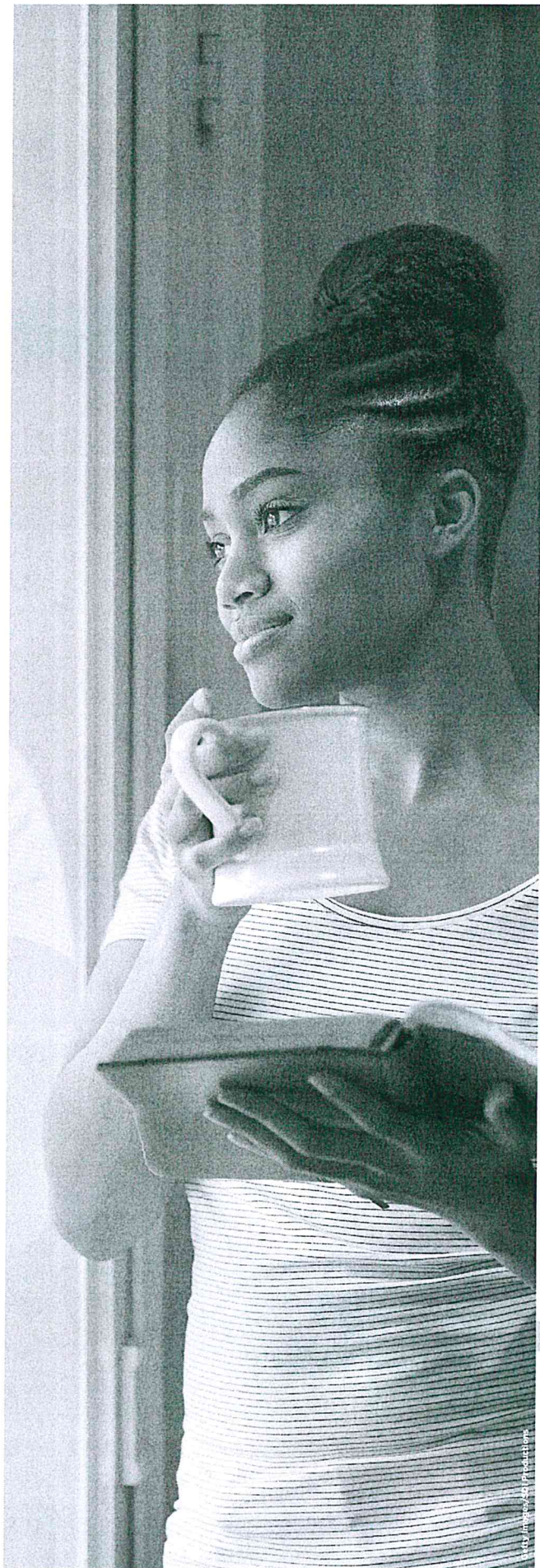
For the greater good You will bring out of everything, especially- In moments when I feel helpless and vulnerable, *R. I praise You, Jesus.* In the midst of uncertainty, *R...* In the midst of humiliation, *R...* In the midst of difficulty, *R...* In the midst of what appears as failure, *R...* For sending Your Mother to me in both joyful and sorrowful moments, *R...* With Mary I sing: The Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is His Name. Amen. *"In dangers, in doubts, in difficulties, call upon Mary... under her protection you have nothing to fear."* -Saint Bernard of Clairvaux

PRAY WITH ME...

-(Pope's NOVEMBER Intention): We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind (Lord, hear our prayer!)

-(Fr. Michael Gaitley's daily consecration prayer from 33 Days to Morning Glory): Mary, I want to be a **saint**. I know that you also want me to be a **saint** and that it's your God-given mission to form me into one. So, Mary, at this moment... [I freely give you] my full permission to do your work in me, with your Spouse, the Holy Spirit. Amen.

God loves you, I love you, I pray for you, please pray for me! -Fr. Nate Harburg



Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

November 8, 2020

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 6:12-16 | 1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14 | Mt 25:1-13

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Google is a mixed blessing for me. One time, it helped me figure out I had a medical emergency and needed to get to the ER pronto! But a glance at my search history reveals that 99 out of 100 times that I'm searching for wisdom of some sort, I'm searching for things like "meatless Monday recipes," "best long-run shoes," or "living room paint colors" (plus 12 variations on each theme). This recognition came to mind when I listened to the words of our first reading. "She [Wisdom] is readily perceived by those who love her, and found by those who seek her." Hearing this reminds me to spend less time Googling and more time searching for what really matters - God's love, goodness, and wisdom. The Gospel story of the virgins keeping vigil for the bridegroom expands on this, for it is the wise who are most prepared to sustain their watch.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Like many people, I have a bookshelf full of self-help books - guides to parenting, figuring out the color of my parachute, various diets, the magic of "tidying up." Today's readings have me wondering whether these well-meaning efforts to become "the best version of myself," or plumb the meaning of life, miss the point. After all, as today's readings remind us, the source of all wisdom is right before us, in the person of Jesus. We don't have to have all the answers, we just need to know where to look, and to have the patience and wherewithal to be prepared to receive it. By studying the Scripture and opening our eyes to the presence of God in others and even in the challenges we face, we can grow closer to Jesus and be ready to meet the bridegroom when he comes.

REFLECT Read and pray today's responsorial psalm.

(Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8)

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God whom I seek;

for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts

like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.

Good Shepherd Parish: Memorials for November

Instructions: please fill this sheet out and place in collection basket throughout November. Names will be added weekly to bulletin and to Memorial Binders, which will be placed in the sanctuary of each church, to remind us to pray for our Beloved Deceased. November is traditionally a month of (extra prayer) for Holy Souls in Purgatory, in case they are in need of further purification before heaven: "it is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins" (2 Maccabees 12:46)

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